

E-HAPPENINGS

WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

August 2010

NEWS AND EVENTS

College Accreditation Renewal Becomes Official

WNC has received its notice of re-accreditation from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, following a comprehensive evaluation.

"It's official," said President Carol Lucey. "The Commission was very positive about the progress that has been made at our college, thanks to the diligence and commitment of our faculty and staff. The evaluators also offered us some valuable recommendations for improvements over the coming months." <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-08-04b.php>

POST Academy To Honor 16th Class



Twenty-four cadets will be honored after completing the WNC's Western Nevada State Peace Officer Academy during a ceremony Friday, Aug. 13, 10 a.m., at the Carson City campus. Captain Frank Shyne of the Fallon Police Department will be the keynote speaker. Honors for Top Gun EVOC, Top Gun, Physical Fitness, Sharp Shooter, Marksmanship and Valedictorian will be announced.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-08-04a.php>

EPSCoR Grant Recipient Creates Wildfire Teaching Materials

WNC student Isabel "Sara" Flores is making a difference in the way local youth learn about wildfires. She received a grant from the National Science Foundation's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) to create materials about climate change and the Waterfall Interpretive Trail in English and Spanish for K-12 teachers. Flores presented her project during the EPSCoR Climate Change Grant Summer Institute, which was at the Davis Observatory in July for teachers from throughout Washoe County. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-08-06a.php>



College to Celebrate GED Milestone

The largest ever number of GED test completers at WNC Carson City, 145 students, are being invited to a celebration on campus this weekend. "Key to Success," on Friday, Aug. 6, 7 p.m. in Sarah Winnemucca Hall, will also honor Mary Katherine Moen, a former WNC employee who is now retiring from her post as Nevada Department of Education consultant.

Specialty Crop Institute Hosts Orchard & Berry Growing Workshop

WNC's Specialty Crop Institute announces an orchard and berry production workshop on Friday, Sept. 10, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., at the Carson City campus. Cost is \$35 if registered by Monday, Aug. 31, or \$45 after August 31.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-07-26a.php>



COLLEGE CORNER

Carson City Campus Gets New Entrance Sign



Students and guests will be welcomed to the Carson City campus with a new entrance sign when classes resume this fall.

The new sign was installed in July, and provides a fresh new impression of the college.

Future plans are in place for the city to extend the sidewalk along College Parkway to make access the campus easier for pedestrians.

Pictured: Crew sets sign into place during the installation process.

End of Summer Construction Projects Set to Begin

Many projects are under way at WNC this summer, and additional projects are set to start. Skylight replacement in the Bristlecone Building on the Carson City campus begins the week of August 9. Demolition work for ADA parking on the Fallon campus has begun, and re-grading of the road behind the Fallon campus and the sidewalk behind the Pinion Building begins Monday, Aug. 23. Window replacement at the Fernley Center began August 4.

Fallon Bookstore Becomes More Convenient for Students

The Fallon campus bookstore is now recognized as a separate Follett store operation, which permits textbooks and other items to be shipped directly to the store. This enables the Fallon store staff to implement the textbook rental program this fall, rather than going through the Carson City campus store. Bottom line: Better service to our students!

<https://www.bkstr.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/StoreCatalogDisplay?catalogId=10001&langId=-1&storeId=11034&demoKey=d>

Carnival to Benefit Child Development Center

The Child Development Center at WNC Carson City hosts a carnival Saturday, Aug. 7, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. Children can play games, enjoy face painting and win prizes. Food, drinks, and bake sale items will be available for purchase. Cost is \$5; Proceeds benefit the center.

Free Family Workshops On Tap in Spanish

Latino families can explore the importance of education, personal development and positive relationships through a series of free workshops, Fridays, Aug. 7-Sept. 18, 5-8 p.m., Carson City campus, Bristlecone Building Rm 344.

"Encounter with Oneself," meets August 7 and focuses on reasons to discover intellectual, creative and personal capabilities. "Leadership for Life" meets August 14 and will help participants develop ownership of their decisions, goals and training in order to set a good example for their children. Registration/information: Lupe Ramirez, 445-3344.

ARTS

Douglas Campus Exhibits Student Art

A potpourri of student and instructor art from the campus's spring fine arts courses exhibits Monday-Friday, Aug. 23-27, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Douglas campus. The public is invited to meet the artists and enjoy refreshments at a free reception, Friday, Aug. 27, 5-7 p.m. The exhibit includes mediums such as watercolor, oil, fibers and photography to create a diverse collection of student perspectives.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-08-02a.php>



English Cottage by student Sylvia de Costa

Auditions Set for "White Christmas" Production

The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company invites auditions for the new stage adaptation of Irving Berlin's White Christmas, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, in Sarah Winnemucca Hall, Carson City campus.

The classic musical will play weekends at the Carson City Community Center November 6-21. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-07-22a.php>

WNC Fallon to Cast for Cinderella, the Enchanted Version

Cast and crewmembers are needed for the Fallon campus production of Rogers and Hammerstein's Cinderella, the Enchanted version.

Anyone sixth-grade age and older is invited to attend cast audition workshops on Monday-Tuesday, August 16-17, 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Churchill County High School Auditorium. No reservations are required to attend the workshops.

Crewmembers are also needed to work on set construction and behind the scenes production. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-07-02c.php>

CPR Classes to Benefit "Always Lost" Traveling Exhibit

Classes in CPR and basic life support have been set for Saturday, Aug. 14, 8-11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.

Heartsaver CPR, AED and First Aid: \$45 – Designed for those seeking certification who are not health care providers; includes AHA card.

Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers: \$45 – Designed for health care providers who are seeking certification; includes AHA card.

Friends & Family CPR/First Aid: \$25. Certificate only. Designed for those who do not require a certification but want to learn the skills.

Proceeds from the classes will benefit the "Always Lost" literary and photographic art exhibit, a study on war that is being prepared for travel to other colleges and universities around the United States.

Contact Jack Piirainen at 775-813-1650 to schedule a session.

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, Aug. 19: Employee Welcome Back, Carson Campus – Pancake breakfast courtesy of the WNC Foundation, followed by All-Staff meeting and BBQ – Don't miss it!

Monday-Friday, Aug 23-26: New Student Orientations, Carson and Fallon campuses

Monday, Aug. 30: Fall Semester begins, all campuses

Wednesday, Sept. 1: 4:30-6 p.m.: Art Reception and Poetry Performance, Carson Campus art galleries